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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 9, 2003, Applicant elects the species defined by the Examiner as Invention I relating to Claims 2-5, without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file divisional applications to pursue claims for the remaining inventions.

Respectfully submitted,

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